AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application. Please amend claim 1 and add new claims 3-4 as follows:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

(Currently Amended) A wedge-operated disc brake apparatus comprising:

a piston accommodated within a cylinder portion to be slidable along an axial direction of the piston and adapted to push a brake pad toward a brake rotor;

an actuator for generating a linear brake-actuating input;

a wedge transmission mechanism which is having a wedge member, the wedge transmission mechanism being connected to the actuator so as to be driven thereby by the linear brake-actuating input which acts on the wedge member as pulling force and to convert the linear brake-actuating input into a brake-actuating output in the axial direction of the piston, the brake-actuating output being transmitted to the piston so as to cause the piston to push the brake pad toward the brake rotor; and

a resilient member for axially urging the piston toward a direction away from the brake <u>rotor pad</u>.

2. (Original) A wedge-operated disc brake apparatus according to claim

1, wherein a bearing is provided between the piston and the cylinder portion in order to enable smooth axial movement of the piston.

- 3. (New) A wedge-operated disc brake apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the actuator is an electric motor.
- 4. (New) A wedge-operated disc brake apparatus according to claim 2, wherein the actuator is an electric motor.